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Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.							
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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

Claims 1, 2, 12, 17, and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Us Pat. 5691756 (US'756) in view of US Pat. 5860052 (US'052).

Referring to Fig. 3 and col. 2, lines 50-63, US'756 discloses a laminate printing media preheater 50, 58, which is conventionally a film heater pattern separated from heater plate 50 by an insulating but thermally conductive layer. US'756 does not explicitly disclose a thermal fuse. However, US'052 discloses, at Figs. 3 & 4b, col. 5, lines 51-53, and col. 6, lines 26-61, a thermal fuse 21 used in planar-type fixing heater. It would have been obvious to utilize such a fuse in a media preheater for exactly the same reason that commends its use in a fixing heater, to prevent overheating. Moreover, the thermally conductive insulator inherent in US'756 would transmit heat energy to the fuse, as recited in claims 17 and 18.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 3-7, 8-11, 13-16, 19, and 20 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Joseph M. Pelham whose telephone number is 571-272-4786. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

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